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LUMINENT MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC.; MINERVA MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION; and MERCURY MORTGAGE FINANCE STATUTORY TRUST,

07 Civ. 9340 (PKC) STIPULATION

Plaintiffs,

HSBC SECURITIES (USA) INC.,

Defendant.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the undersigned counsel of record to the parties to the Action, and by the parties to the Action through their undersigned Counsel, subject to the approval of the Court, that Plaintiffs' time to move, answer, object or otherwise respond to the counterclaims asserted by Defendant in this action is extended to and including December 31, 2007.

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